Date Mailed January 28, 2000

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Investigation into the Classification of Transmission Facilities Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.485 (1) (h)

05-EI-119

NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Prehearing Conference Date: Monday, February 14, 2000 – 10:00 a.m.

Conference Location: Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way,

Madison, WI (Amnicon Falls Hearing Room – 1st Floor)

On October 19, 1999, the Commission issued a Notice of Proceeding and Investigation and Assessment of Costs in this docket. The purpose of this proceeding is to develop a methodology for classifying "transmission facilities" as defined by Wis. Stat. §§ 196.485(1)(h) and 196.485(5)(d). It is expected that transmission utilities will make filings with the Commission on February 1, 2000, that classify their facilities according to the statutory criteria and address other related issues.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will hold a prehearing conference on Monday, February 14, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the case coordinator listed below.

The prehearing conference is being held to: 1) rule on requests for party status; 2) identify issues; 3) determine the date and time for a hearing; 4) specify dates for filing testimony and exhibits; and 5) any other matters that will facilitate the hearing.

Full parties will be bound by the designation of issues and the schedule adopted at the prehearing conference. Persons who consider themselves to be potential full parties should participate in the prehearing conference. Persons who desire to actively participate as full parties must request full party status in writing. Full party status requests should be addressed to Jeffry J. Patzke, Administrative Law Judge, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

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This is not a contested case but will be conducted according to the procedures for Class 1 proceedings as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Questions from the media may be directed to Jeffrey L. Butson, Public Affairs Director at (608) 267-0912.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to John E. Feit at (608) 266-5620.

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